

## Section 7.2 - Calculus of Parametric Curves

$$\boxed{\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)} = \frac{dy/dt}{dx/dt}}$$

Proof Given  $y = y(t)$   $x = x(t)$

$$y = F(x) = F(x(t)) \quad \text{take } \frac{d}{dt}:$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}[y] = \frac{d}{dt}[F(x(t))]$$

$$= F'(x(t)) \cdot \frac{d}{dt}[x(t)]$$

$$y'(t) = F'(x) \cdot x'(t)$$

$$\frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)} = F'(x) = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

Ex 1  $x = t + 2$  ( $x = a + bt$ ) line or  
 $y = 3 - 2t$  ( $y = c + dt$ ) line segment.  
if  $-\infty < t < \infty$

Problem Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at  $t = 2$ .

$$x'(t) = 1 + 0 = 1$$

$$y'(t) = 0 - 2 = -2$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-2}{1} = -2$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{t=2} = \boxed{-2} \checkmark$$

check:

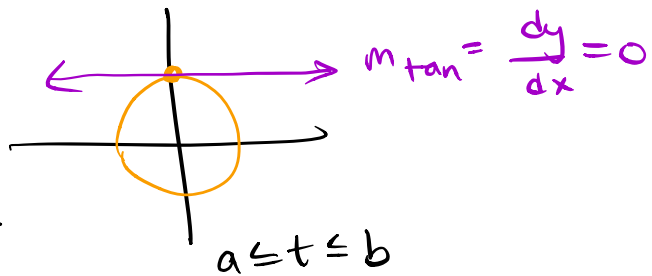
$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= t + 2 \\
 \text{plug } x-2=t &\rightarrow y = 3 - 2t = 3 - 2(x-2) \\
 &= 3 - 2x + 4 = -2x + 7
 \end{aligned}$$

Ex 1  $x = \cos t$  Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  at  $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$   
 $y = \sin t$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x' &= -\sin t \\
 y' &= \cos t
 \end{aligned}
 \rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\cos t}{-\sin t} \bigg|_{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{0}{-1} = 0$$

check: Elim t:

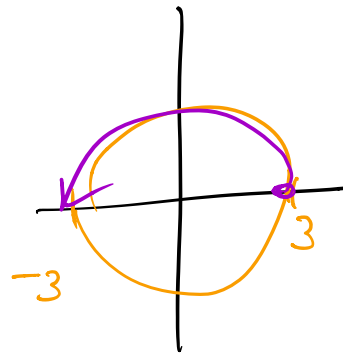
$$x^2 + y^2 = 1$$



Arc Length Formula

$$\int_a^b \sqrt{(x'(t))^2 + (y'(t))^2} dt$$

Ex 2  $x = 3 \cos t$   
 $y = 3 \sin t$   
 $0 \leq t \leq \pi$



Check  $\frac{\text{circumf}}{2} = \frac{2\pi(3)}{2} = 3\pi$

$$x' = -3 \sin t$$

$$y' = 3 \cos t$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{(-3 \sin t)^2 + (3 \cos t)^2} \, dt \\
 & \sqrt{9 \sin^2 t + 9 \cos^2 t} \\
 & \sqrt{9 (\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t)} \\
 & \sqrt{9(1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi} 3 \, dt = 3t \Big|_0^{\pi} = 3(\pi - 0) = \boxed{3\pi}$$

The parametrized curve is the upper semicircle of the radius 3 circle at the origin. Its arc length is  $3\pi$ .